

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of generating a diary record, comprising the steps of:

classifying at least one of audio, video, and text input to a computer and generating an indicator of an event responsively thereto;

said event being unrelated to a calendar/diary application;

prompting a user, by a calendar/diary application, to enter data relating to said event for incorporation in ~~an~~ a historical record of events pertaining to a user;

accepting user input responsive to said step of prompting;

adding a record to a database defining said historical record including at least one of data resulting from said step of classifying and data resulting from said step of accepting.

2. (Original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said at least one of data resulting from said step of classifying and data resulting from said step of accepting includes data resulting from said step of classifying and data resulting from said step of accepting.

3. (Original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said event includes writing an email letter.

4. (Original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said event includes writing a letter on a text application other than said calendar/diary application.

5. (Original) A method as in claim 1, wherein said event includes a change in a mood of said user.

6. (Original) A method of generating a diary record, comprising the steps of:
accepting data towards the making of a new record in a calendar application;
prompting a user for greater detail in an event defined by said record;
automatically generating a diary record responsive to a result of said steps of
accepting and prompting.

7. (Original) A method as in claim 6, wherein said step of automatically
generating includes:

correlating selected user input from said step of accepting with data in an
external data store; and

generating a detailed description of a portion of said data accepted in said step
of accepting responsively to said step of correlating whereby additional data from said
external data is used to clarify said data accepted in said step of accepting.

8. (Original) A method as in claim 7, wherein said step of automatically
generating further includes requesting and accepting a confirmation by said user of said
description.

9. (Original) A method as in claim 7, wherein said external data store is at
least one of a contact data store, a word processing file store, an email data store, and a
calendar application.

10. (Original) A method of generating a diary record, comprising the steps of:
detecting one of a passage of time since an entry of a record into a diary
database and a time of day;

prompting a user to enter a diary entry responsively to said step of detecting;

accepting data to form a new record in a diary;

adding a new record responsive to a result of said step of accepting.

11. (Original) A method as in claim 9, wherein said step of accepting includes:
correlating selected user input responsive to said step of prompting with data in
an external data store; and

automatically generating a detailed description of a portion of said data
accepted in said step of accepting responsively to said step of correlating whereby additional
data from said external data is used to clarify said data accepted in said step of accepting.

12. (Original) A method as in claim 11, wherein said step of automatically
generating further includes requesting and accepting a confirmation by said user of said
description.

13. (Original) A method as in claim 11, wherein said external data store is at
least one of a contact data store, a word processing file store, an email data store, and a
calendar application.

14. (Original) A method of generating a diary record, comprising the steps of:
extracting current events or historical data from an external data resource;
accepting data descriptive of at least one of an appointment and an event for
inclusion in a diary database;

adding data resulting from said step of extracting to data resulting from said
step of accepting to said diary database.

15. (Original) A method as in claim 14, wherein said step of adding includes accepting user input data indicative of instructions to modify said current events or historical data.

16. (Original) A method as in claim 14, wherein said step of adding includes correlating a date corresponding to said current events or historical data with a date diary data entered in said diary database.

17. (Original) A method of generating a diary record, comprising the steps of:
accepting user input data descriptive of personal events to be recorded in a diary database;

sensing and classifying states, events, or moods of a user or said user's environment;

generating an index responsive to said step of sensing;

adding said index and said user input to said diary database.

18. (Original) A data medium having instructions thereon for implementing a method for generating a diary record, comprising the steps of:

accepting user input data descriptive of personal events to be recorded in a diary database;

sensing and classifying states, events, or moods of a user or said user's environment;

generating an index responsive to said step of sensing;

adding said index and said user input to said diary database.